

HONGKONG

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No. 3760

MONDAY, MAY 28, 1894.

THREE PENCE
PER COPY

MONEY,

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL £1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED £1,450,000

BANKERS: LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT ACCOUNTS at the Rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:

For 12 Months.....5 per cent.

" 64 "

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JOHN THURBURN, Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 4th February, 1894. [20]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY R. VAL. CHARTER, 1853.

HEAD OFFICE:—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP £800,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHARE-HOLDERS £800,000
RESERVE FUND £475,000

INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT ACCOUNTS at the Rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balances.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months.....5 per cent.

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A. C. MARSHALL, Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 17th May, 1894. [163]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorised Capital £1,000,000
Subscribed Capital £500,000

HEAD OFFICE:—HONGKONG.

Court of Directors:

D. GILES, Esq. Chow Tung Shang, Esq.

Chan Kit Shan, Esq. Kwan Hol Chuen, Esq.

H. Stoltzfus, Esq.

Chief Manager:

GEO. W. E. PLAYFAIR.

Branches:—London, Yokohama, Shanghai and Amoy.

BANKERS:—The Commercial Bank of Scotland.

Parts Banking Co., and The Alliance Bank (Ltd.)

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent.

Hongkong, 16th November, 1893. [7]

THE BANK OF CHINA-JAPAN AND THE STRAITS, LIMITED.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL £2,000,000.

CAPITAL PAID-UP £251,093.15.0

BANKERS:—CAPITAL & COUNTIES BANK, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE: No. 3, PRINCES STREET, LONDON.

BRANCHES: BOMBAY, CALCUTTA, HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI.

AGENCIES: PENANG, SINGAPORE AND YOKOHAMA.

RATES OF INTEREST.

ALLOWED on CURRENT ACCOUNTS and Fixed Deposits can be ascertained on application.

Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

CHANTREY INCHBALD, Manager.

Hongkong, 6th November, 1893. [210]

ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE HARMSTONS' GREAT SPECIALTY COMPANY.

THE famous HARMSTONS' CIRCUS will for the present postpone the GREAT CIRCUS REVIVAL until a later period, and on the arrival of the Steamer conveying the Company to Shanghai, will give TWO SPECIAL PERFORMANCES

IN THE CITY HALL.

Introducing the grandest Vaudeville Entertainment ever given in Hongkong.

ALL GREAT ARTISTES.

MISS LE BLONDE, La Premiere Danseuse at La Scala, Milan. Cirque Nouveau, Paris, and Sir Augustus Harris' Pantomime of 1894 at Drury Lane. The most graceful Dancer and Rider in the World.

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R. LOVE, Manager.

CHAS. B. HICKS, General Representative.

S. REICH, Agent.

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INSURANCES.

THE STANDARD.
ENDOWMENT ASSURANCE.1. AMONG THE MANY ADVANTAGES of this form of Assurance, the following may be mentioned:—
(a)—It secures an immediate Provision for wife and family or other relatives in event of early death.

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(c)—It supplies an excellent Investment for the regular accumulation of small fixed sums of money.

(d)—The Surrender and loan values are larger than under ordinary Policies.

2. AFTER THE POLICY HAS BEEN THREE YEARS IN FORCE—should the Policy-holder wish to discontinue future payments—he will be entitled to receive, on application, a FREE PAID-UP POLICY for a proportionate amount of the Sum Assured, as explained in the Prospectus.

Full particulars on application,
DODWELL, CARILL & CO., Agents,

STANDARD LIFE OFFICE.

Hongkong, 8th August, 1893. [174]

THE TOKYO-MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE:—TOKIO, JAPAN.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED \$1,200,000.

CAPITAL PAID-UP \$600,000.

GOVERNMENT GUARANTEE \$400,000.

RESERVE FUND, 30th June, 1893.....\$ 548,551.

SPECIAL RESERVE, Do.\$ 134,997.

TOTAL RESERVE\$ 683,548.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to accept RISKS at CURRENT RATES.

For the MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA,

K. FUKU, Manager.

Hongkong, 18th April, 1894. [148]

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News has been received here to the effect that the Nam Ho and Kan Yu magistrates have, in accordance with orders from the Vicere, Li, issued proclamations condemning the perpetrators of the infamous and unfeared act, found in the placards posted in Canton on the 23rd instant, and to which we referred on the 24th. Nothing is known yet as to punishment of the men responsible for this offence—a barbed and insidious which in Europe would lead to tremendous trouble.

The plague is now decreasing in Canton, but the exodus of the people goes on apace.

Two old women, residents of the Tal-ping-shan, were fined \$5 each by Mr. Hastings at the Police Court this morning, owing to their having concealed the fact that they had lodgers victims of the plague.

The *Bulletin Official* of Macro publishes a notification regarding the epidemic; the supply of fresh water in the poorer districts is to be maintained with the greatest possible energy, the drains of the city are to be sluiced daily, especially in the most crowded Chinese quarters, the streets are all to be watered daily, all vessels coming from Canton or Hongkong are to be closely inspected and rigorously quarantined if found infected. All householders, Chinese or otherwise, are ordered to keep their premises in a perfectly clean and sanitary condition, and open to inspection by the sanitary authorities under heavy penalties.

Appended are the latest statistics.

From noon on Saturday until noon yesterday:

| | New Deaths | Disch. | Rem. | treatment |
|--|------------|--------|------|-----------|
| Hygeia | 0 | 0 | 0 | 13 |
| Kennedy-town | 1 | 0 | 0 | 16 |
| Glass Works | 12 | 20 | 3 | 33 |
| Private houses | 0 | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 13 | 30 | 3 | 62 |
| From noon yesterday until noon to-day: | | | | |
| Hygeia | 0 | 0 | 0 | 13 |
| Kennedy-town | 0 | 1 | 0 | 15 |
| Glass Works | 32 | 14 | 2 | 49 |
| Private houses | 0 | 11 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 32 | 26 | 2 | 77 |

Deaths from the outbreak (5th May) up to May 26th, noon, 376; grand total, 432.

It was observed to-day for the first time that numbers of bodies have been buried daily without any record being kept as to where they came from; so there is a large discrepancy between the burial statistics and the deaths reported. We were informed on Saturday that there had been altogether about 15 per cent. of burials in excess of the official mortality returns; but pending investigation we did not publish this statement. It is now ascertained by the Special Sanitary Committee that ten or fifteen or even twenty corpses per day are brought to the Tung Wa hospital and taken away for burial without ever being examined, as to whether they are plague cases or not. This question is now receiving the attention of the authorities.

VOLUNTEER CARBINE COMPETITION.

The annual carbine competition of the Hongkong Volunteer Corps was held on Saturday at the Kowloon ranges, in very unsavoury weather, with a strong wind and some rain. For nine events there were forty odd entries; of which three-quarters came up to the scratch. The most interesting items were, of course, the Championships and the Ladies' Purse. In the former Gunner Smyth, of the "Maxims," came out ahead with 23—unlike the circumstance a few days before, when the "Maxims" had a good total; and Lt. Chapman took the Field Battery Championship with 81, while Battery Sergeant-Major Du can won the Ladies' Purse with the wider to score of 23 and was presented with the trophy on the field by Miss Lamerton.

Appended are the leading scores:

OFFICERS' CUP, half disp. 200, 400 and 500 yards.

200 400 500 Pts. Total.

Lt. Denison 26 29 20 11 86

Lt. Chapman 29 30 23 — 82

Six entered; four shot.

LADIES' PURSE, 200 yards, shooting.

E. S. M. Duncan 22 — 21

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Lt. Chapman 21 — 21

Gr. Smyth 21 — 21

Twenty-eight competed.

FIELD BATTERY CHAMPIONSHIP.

200 400 500 Total.

Lt. Chapman 29 30 23 82

Sgt. Hayward 26 28 27 81

Cpl. Soonderam 25 21 27 78

Nineteen competed.

MAXIM CHAMPIONSHIP.

200 400 500 Total.

Gr. Smyth 26 30 28 84

Gr. Shepherd 25 33 11 69

Cpl. Firth 26 27 18 61

Seven competed.

VOLUNTEER CHAMPIONSHIP.—Gunner Smyth wins the championship for the whole corps, having made the highest total in the meeting.

HANDICAP, 200 yards.

Score Points Total.

Lt. Macmillan 28 2 30

Lt. Chapman 29 — 29

Gr. Armstrong 26 3 29

Aggregate.

200 400 500 Pts. Total.

Sgt. Wylie 18 28 31 10 87

Gr. Smyth 26 30 28 — 84

Gr. Armstrong 25 22 25 10 84

Twenty-nine competed.

Lt. Denison was third at 200 yards with a total of 36, but retired, as he did in the 400 yards, where he had gained second place.

INSTRUCTORS' PRIZE.—Sergeant-Major Lewis R.A., had a "walk-over," and scored 41.

All the arrangements were highly satisfactory.

The committee consisted of Lt. Chapman and B.M. Dundas (Field) & Lt. Adams and Gr. Davier (Maxim). Umpire, Lt. Col. Jernard. Hon. Secretary, B. S. M. Duncan.

The second portion of the competition will be held next Saturday, and will comprise the "Ladies' Nomination" and volley-firing contests.

On Saturday evening a smoking concert will be held at Headquarters (near the Government Offices) when the prizes will be distributed by the Governor, Sir W. Robinson.

EXHIBITION OF AUSTRALIAN PRODUCTS.

The exhibition of Australian products—or to be more accurate, of some of the products of Victoria, now being held in the Victoria Hotel, has been largely attended to-day, principally by

course, by merchants and importers interested in the colonial trade. Both Mr. S. H. Row, the official representative of the Victorian Government, and Mr. E. J. Dyer, who is independently putting upon the prospects of trade expansion for the *Australasian* newspaper, were in attendance and furnished all necessary and much interesting information relating to the exhibits. It is now nearly six months since the Commissioners started on their mission, and having visited the big cities of India, Ceylon, Burma and the Straits Settlements, in each of which samples were distributed, the display of products is now necessarily much diminished; but still they are sufficient in quantity and variety to convey a fair impression of the innumerable industries flourishing in the great colony of Victoria, and from many of which the Far East might well derive profit and advantage. The products are there in inexhaustible quantities and as to the excellence of their qualities there are no two opinions; the whole question of their introduction into Eastern markets is simply that of cost. In this one respect the trade seems likely to be hampered, for when brought into competition with the markets of Europe and America the high freights ruling between China and the Colonies will heavily handicap the Australian productions. That, however, is a matter that might easily be overcome. In some instances Australian goods can be landed in the East at 15 to 20 per cent. less than they can possibly be imported from either Europe or America. In these lines a big business has already been established in the cities visited, and the Commissioners are hopeful of developing a trade bitherto undreamt of.

The exhibits consist chiefly of wines, brandies, ale, preserved meats, butter, cheese, jams, sausages, leather and compressed forage. For which can be practically tested, a strong demand is certain to be established. The samples on view will well worth a visit from anyone interested in trade, and Messrs. Rowe and Dyer are only too pleased to impart any information on Victorian trade and affairs that may be solicited. The exhibits will be on view again to-morrow.

CORRESPONDENCE.

(We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by Correspondents in this column.)

THE TREATMENT OF PRISONERS IN VICTORIA GAOL.

To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph."

Sir,—It is at all times desirable that acts of cruelty and oppression should be publicly exposed and justice done to the aggrieved party; but especially publicly desirable when defenceless prisoners in our penal establishments are the victims of tyrannical and robbing turnkeys, who so abuse the brief authority they are clothed in as to make life an insufferable burden to any helpless prisoners who may chance to gain their ill-will. A case of this nature occurred in Victoria Gaol on the 23rd inst. which deserves investigation, and it is with this object and to that end this letter has been written. On the day stated a Chinese prisoner (poor, weak, object, serving a year's sentence and now undergoing medical treatment in the Gaol) was ordered by one of the head turnkeys to carry a large and heavy box, a task, apparently, quite beyond the man's physical powers. However, he eventually succeeded in carrying out the orders, and just as he put the box down, the turnkey—a man named Bras, struck the unfortunate wretch a blow on the chest which felled him to the ground. The man had done no wrong, had broken no rule, nothing, in fact, justifying the brutal assault committed on him. On the following day, when the visiting Justices (one of whom was Dr. Jordan, I believe) were going their rounds, the prisoner complained of his ill-treatment, and by them he was advised to go to Mr. Lethbridge, the Superintendent of the Gaol. This he did, but as he called no witnesses (half a dozen of whom were present when he was struck) the turnkey had beaten all his own way, and if what I am informed is true, the proceedings do not reflect much credit on the Superintendant's ideas of gaol management or sense of justice, for not only was the man denied the redress to which he was indisputably entitled, but he was actually censured for bringing the complaint, and flitly accused of falsehood! Now, the man was assaulted and the assault was witnessed, as I have already stated, by some half dozen persons—officers of the Gaol and other prisoners, yet none of these were examined at the so-called inquiry. If many such cases occur within the Gaol walls, the wonder is that outbreaks among the prisoners are not more numerous than has been the case.

With reference to this particular grievance, it is undoubtedly the duty of the Superintendent of the Gaol to institute a searching investigation, and if the man Bras should be found guilty of having struck the prisoner, an example ought to be made of him.

You truly, JUSTICIA.

Hongkong, 28th May, 1894.
[We fully endorse the opinions expressed by our correspondent, and direct the attention of Governor Sir William Robinson to what on the face of it looks like a disgraceful outrage on British justice.—Ed. *Hongkong Telegraph*.]

LATE TELEGRAMS.

MADRID, April 24th.

An animated debate on the Melilla affair has commenced in the Congress.

The Supreme Council of War, reviewing the process recently instituted with reference to the robbery of commissioners' stores at the Carrasco Arsenal, has ordered the arrest of the officials comprising the responsible Board.

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The *Times* observes that it is evident the Budget will be the chief business of the Session, and that the discussion in Committee will be prolonged and bitter.

francs. The extradition of Cornelius He has been abandoned.

May 5th.

The French Council of State has formally approved of the creation of a Minister of Colonies. President Carnot has signed the decree appointing a Minister of Colonies.

M. Blanc declared in the Italian Chamber that the Triple Alliance was formed with the intention of affording mutual succour in case of attack, and not for offensive operations.

LONDON, March 5th.

A debate has taken place in the Italian Chamber on the question of disarmament. M. Crispi, speaking on the occasion, while affirming the friendship of Italy towards France and Russia, said that Italy, if disarmed, would have as formerly to pay the cost to a conqueror in any future war. His speech was applauded by the deputies.

ROMA, May 5th.

The trial of the Director and officials of the Banca Romana commenced to-day. The Director, Signor Tanlongo, described the complete subjection of the Banca to successive ministers, and attempts to uphold the price of rents on behalf of the Government, which involved the debasement of the currency.

THE HAGUE, May 5th.

A Royal Commission of Enquiry into the scheme for reclaiming a half-million acres of the Zuider Zee, at a cost of thirty millions sterling, has reported in favour of it.

LONDON, May 5th.

The Great Jubilee Stakes of 3,000 sovereigns, distance one mile, resulted as follows:—Sir W. Throckmorton's b. c. Arlington, by Melton—Ammette, 4 years, 8th, 18... 1 Lord Cadogan's b. c. Prisoner, by Isomony—Lonely, 4 years, 8th, 18... 2 Colonel North's b. h. El Diablo, by Robert the Devil—Tantum, 6 years, 7th, 12th... 3 (Winner trained by Chandler.)

ROMA, May 6th.

Baron Blanc, Minister of Foreign Affairs, has stated in the Chamber of Deputies that Italy had firmly resolved to retain her African colony and maintain her protectorate over Abyssinia.

LONDON, May 6th.

An immense demonstration took place at Hyde Park yesterday; the proceedings were quite orderly. Resolutions were passed in favour of an International eight hours' working day and universal suffrage. A number of foreign socialists spoke.

Advices from Uganda, dated the 24th of March, state that the British have expelled Kabarega from Unyoro, and built a chain of forts from there to Uganda, and hoisted our flag at Wadieli.

There have been renewed shocks of earthquake in Greece. A panic has set in at Athens, and people are camping out in the hills and sleeping in boats.

Two Italian anarchists have been arrested in London engaged in the manufacture of explosives. They have been expelled, and were afterwards condemned to ten years in the bulls.

General Ferrari has died from the effects of a fall from his horse whilst inspecting the Lyons prison. The *Journal d'Avr* has been celebrated throughout France with much enthusiasm. A letter appears in to-day's *Times* from Colonel Mellison, in which he supports the view taken in the almanac article in Saturday's *Spectator* that the smearing of man-garlic trees in Behar, which has lately taken place, resembles the circulation of the cheap pamphlets which took place before the Mutiny of 1857, and bears the same meaning. The death is announced of Admiral Hardinge.

May 8th.

M. Mauzon, the Liberal candidate, was born in Paris, and died in 1891 in place of St. Charles-Roussy, having polled four thousand five hundred and fifty votes against four thousand three hundred and fifty-eight polled by Mr. H. Robertson, the Conservative candidate.

An explosion took place last evening at the Royal Cordite Factory at Waltham, in which four men were killed and thirty injured, and many houses in the neighbourhood were wrecked. M. Wilson, whose election was declared invalid, has since been re-elected a Deputy. A Committee of the Chamber has dismissed the charge against M. Toussaint of exciting the steel-workers to strike.

May 10th.

The French Chamber, on the demand of Grasini-Perle, has voted by 207 to 210, to condemn the protection of the deputy Tardieu for instigating the steel-workers to strike.

The French Colonial office comprises, besides the Cabinet, three directors, two sub-directors, eleven superior officials, with seventeen assistants.

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